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REPORT FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY VANDERLIP.

RAPIDLY ADAPTING THEMSELVES TO THE NEW CONDITIONS.

Washington, Dec. 9.-Assistant Secretary Vanderto, who is expected to arrive in the United States rto Edgo next Monday, has made a predons in that island. Under date of November 27 reports that the military authorities are getting thing received has been deposited with Deford & ial agents of the Government, and the nt now on deposit aggregates more than \$100,-

That was the case for a few days, the Spanish

FELL TOGETHER IN SAN JUAN BATTLE.

A REMARKABLE LIKENESS IN THE CAREERS OF LIEUTENANTS SHIPP AND SMITH

Washington, Dec. 9 .- Some interesting history is attached to two bills recently introduced in the House by Mr. Underwood for General Wheeler. House by Mr. Underwood for General The bills are to grant pensions to Mrs. Margaret Shipp, widow of Lieutenant William E. Shipp, who San Juan Hill, and to Shapp, who w of Lieutenant which was killed at the battle of San Juan Hill, and to Mrs. Louise Smith, widow of Lieutenant William H. Smith, who was killed at the same place. There was a remarkable similarity in the history of these two soldiers. They studied together at West Point, were graduated together, and after leaving the Academy both fose to the rank of lieutenant. They met their deaths in the same battle within aftern minutes of each other, and finally these hills to pension their widows were introduced in Congress simultaneously.

AFFAIRS IN PORTO RICO. States whose troops were engaged at this point to

INCREASE OF THE ARMY CONSIDERED.

CHAIRMAN HULL HOPES TO HAVE THE HOUSE PASS A BILL BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS.

Washington, Dec. 9.-The House Committee on Military Affairs began consideration to-day of the important measures for the reorganization and increase of the Army. Such progress was made that Chairman Hull said at the close of the meeting tee meetings will be held daily, beginning next

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r what towns in Caba. Porto Ric.
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Chicago Board of Trade has adopted resolutions urging President McKinley to call a special session of Congress for the enactment of legislation for the permanent adoption of the gold standard

JOINT HIGH COMMISSION'S MEETING.

American Joint High Commission at the Arlington to-day was followed by a long session of the Commissioners in their own quarters. It is now sai that owing to the unsettled condition of the Com-mission's work, it is impossible to say possive, whether or not the Commission will adjourn to the holidays. This may incleate either a favorable or unfavorable state of affairs between the tw-sets of Commissioners, but it is hardly though probable by those who have watched the progres of the negotiations that an amicable settlement ca-be reached before Chirstmas.

FRIENDS OF CANAL SEE ROOSEVELT.

THAT HE WAATS THEIR AID IN

ferent cities in the State met yesterday afternoon at the Manhattan Hotel for the purpose of or-Council resigned. The commanding memors of the completed the selection of their successors, and municipal affairs soon will be adjusted. The American commanding officers have been withdrawing guards from the sugar plantations, and they think this will have a good effect. The condition of affairs, it is stated, is worse than slavery on some of these plantations. The work was done by peous, who receive 25 peets as day on an average and are subjected to the very worst type of 'country store.' These scores give short weights in everything sold. Among several hundred alleged pound packages of the weighted by American officials there was not one which weighed over three-fourths of a pound. The American officials there was not one which weighed over three-fourths of a pound. The American officials there was not one which weighed over three-fourths of a pound. The American officials there was not one which weighed over three-fourths of a pound. The American officials there was not one which the weighed the request for guards and have heard hothing further about their list thought that deed named being paragon of fice weighed by developed over the contest of an extended over the weight of the plantation of the state of the plantation of th

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COL. HECKER HEARD AGAIN.

HE TESTIFIES ABOUT TRANSPORTATION OF SPANISH PRISONERS.

SAYS ABNER M'KINLEY'S FIRM HAD NOTHING TO

DO WITH SALES OF SHIPS TO THE ARMY. Washington, Dec. 9.-The transportation to Spain by the United States of the Spanish prisoners surrendered at Santiago was taken up by the War Department Investigating Commission to-day, and Hecker, who made the contract for the United States, was recalled to testify on this point. He said there had been a combination of New-York shipping concerns, which would have caused an outlay of \$1.400,000, while the actual expense was \$11,000. The lowest bid was from a Philadelphia junk-dealer who, however, had no visible means of executing the contract and admitted his own doubt as to getting sufficient bond. This Philadelphian, Colonel Hecker testified, protested against not receiving the contract on the ground that he had "a chance to make some mone; out of it." The most feasible bidder was the Spanish Transatlantic Company. Its bid unlike the others, relieved the Government from all medical attendance, and finally, on the Government's representations, the company agreed to reduce its

"What induced the Government to send those people to Spain" was asked.

Don't know. The terms of surrender provided

Colonel Hecker read a long statement signed by one William E. Ryan, detailing the alleged methods of the Transportation Bureau in connection with the attempted sale of certain snips to the Govern-ment. Colonel Hecker said he did not know Ryan, Several members of the Commission said they would be glad to summon the man if he could be found.

Asked if he was ever approached by Abner Mc-Kinley relative to the purchase of ships, Colonel Hecker replied. "Never but once. He spoke to me sommanded to the sold of salps," asked ex-olday in the sale of salps," asked ex-odiary.

It as to the Army," replied Colonel

The Salps of the Navy, a sub-

to the conditions at Montauk, Surgeon that they were generally satisfactory, has there was much infounded concuted the case of Mrs. Arnold, of New-

could not," replied Major Appel emphatically

### ELECTRICAL GOODS IN BRAZIL.

TRADE RAPIDLY GROWING AND GOOD OP-PORTUNITIES OFFERED

Philadelphia, Dec. 8.-A travelling representative of the Philadelphia Commercial Museum, who has Precently returned from Brazil, has made the fol-

by leaps and bounds, it being only a few years ago that electrical trams, lighting power, etc., were unknown in any part of the country. Now almost every town and city within three hundred miles of the coast is either lighted by electricity or has

England and Belgium

wire of all kinds electric bells, batteries, elecand Rio and Hello Hortzente, os these towns at

Minas Geraes, is a growing town of at present about thirty thousand inhabitants, and is located in the heart of the mining and cotton mill district and practically at the end of the main line of the Central Railway. It is, therefore, in a position to supply with electrical goods not only the mining supply with electrical goods not only the mining and cotton mill companies, but the towns of Sahara. Sete Lagons, Curvello, Caethe, Ouro Frete (the old capital). La Fayette and about ten other small towns on the line of the railroad between there and Juiz de Fora that are lighted with electricity.

"At Juiz de Fora another algebra of sundries would do well in supplying not only Juiz de Fora and the adjoining town of Marianna Procepto, but also the towns on the lines of the west of the Minas and Laopoldina railroads which intersect the Central Railroad at Sitio and Arail, both near her.

"Along the line from Rio to Sao Paulo are also many towns in which it might be advantageous to have agents. A competent salesman, familiar with the Portuguese language, travelling through this section could do wonders in the way of scurring orders and appeliating responsible agents.

"This may also be said of nearly all the interior cities, as attention so far has seemingly been paid only to the large cities on the coast, and even there not to the extent the trade possibilities deserve."

PAINTING THE WARSHIPS WHITE. Visitors to the Navy Yard yesterday were surprised to see the Indiana receiving a coat of white

paint. This chinging the color was in accordance with orders received by Rear-Admiral Euroe to paint all the ships at the station white as soon as possible. This is to be regarded hereafter as the peace dress for United States vessels, and its resumption now is an earnest that the Government does not believe there will be any further hostillities growing out of the Spanish war. The Brooklyn and the Massachusetts will be the next vessels painted, and then will come the New-Orleans and the Chicago, the commissioned ships being taken first.

first
As soon as the Brooklyn and the Massachusetts
are painted they will go to the Tompkinsville anchorage and await orders.
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New-Orleans is nearly completed, and the officers
are rapidly approaching a mild degree of comfort

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ARMY AND NAVY ORDERS. Washington, Dec. 9.-The following Army and Navy orders have been issued:

ARMY.

Captain CHARLES E, TAYMAN assistant quartermas-ter, will proceed to Knoxville, Tenn., and relieved Lieutenant Sering C. Fisk., the Onio Infanty. of his duties pertaining to the Quartermaster's Department at that place.

Captain FREDEFICK W. HYDE, commissary of subsistence, will proceed to this city on business pertaining to the closing of his accounts with the Subsistince Department.

The following transfers are made in the 7th Cavalry at the request of the officers concerned: First Lieutenant SEDGWICK RICE, from Troop I to outenant JAMES LONGSTREET, Jr., 9th Volun-Infantry, will proceed to Santiago, Cuba, and of for duty to the commanding officer of his

The following officers are honorably discharged: Chaptern OTIS A. GLAZEBROOK, 3d New-Jersey Infan

Captain CHARLES MORRIS 3d New Jersey Infantry.
Captain THOMAS B FULLER, 9th Illinois Infantry.
First Lewitenant GEORGE T G. SEXTON, 2004 NewVerk Infantry.
Captain FREDERICK FUGER, 4th Artillery, will assome the duties of chief muscering officer for the sume the duties of chief mustering officer State of Pennsylvania.

Captain WILLIAM H. KELL. 22d Infantry, will join his NAVY.

Lieutenant W. L. HEERS is detached from the naval station at Port Royal, S. C., and ordered home. Lieutenant W. H. WILLARD and Lieutenant (junior grade) L. P. SMITH were honorably discharged De-HAMMOND is detached from the Casar and

ordered home to await orders.
Lieuwenan' W. J. WilsoN is detached from the branch hydrographic office at Chicago and ordered home. Lieutenant J E LOMBARD is detached from the Navy Yard at Mare Island and ordered home.

Lieurenant C. EVANS is detached from the Independence and ordered home. Passed Assistant Engineer G. W. DANFORTH is detache from the Albatross and ordered to remain on treat ment at the Naval Hospital at Mare Island.

Surgeon J. C. EYRNES is ordered to the Navy Yard at Ensign J. H. POTTER is detached from the Newark and Ensien B M LOMBARD is detached from the Monocac;

Ensign G. F. THOMAS is detached from the Glo and ordered home. Ensign F C. Hald, is detached from the Marblehead and ordered home. Ensign R A MOREHEAD is detached from the Castine and ordered home.

A NEW OFFICE FOR AUGUSTUS VAN WECK

OF THE AMERICAN BRANCH OF THE DUTCH TITLSOF DR KUYPER TO SAIL

been in this country three months travelling and about two weeks at League Island Navy Yard. professor in the Amsterdam University, member of the Dutch Parliament and leader of the anti-revolutionary party in the Parliament, and Editor hairman of the Committee of Arrangements for the coronation of the young Queen of Holland. Two years ago he received from Princeton University the degree of LL D., and he came to this country recently to deliver a course of lectures at ceton on Calvinism

At the Fifth Avenue Hotel yesterday, Dr. Kuyper attended a meeting of the American branch of the General Dutch Alliance, for which he is authorized to art in Holland. The alliance was established in Dordrecht, on the Merwede, and has branches in America, Belgium and South Africa. The American branch has two sections, one with headquarthe American branch were chosen yesterday. Ex-Justice Augustus Van Wyck, the defeated Democrattle candidate for Governor, is president. The secretaries are the Rev. Dr. Geerhardus Vos. of recetaries are the Rev. Dr. Geerhardus Vos. of Princeton, N. J. and Cornelius W. Vanderhoogt, of Baltimore. Warner Van Norden, of this city, is the treasurer. Among the trustees are the Rev. Melanethon W. Jacobus, of Hartford, Conn., Samuel Decker Cuyckendali, of Kingston, N. Y.; Robert B. Roosevelt, the former United States Minister to Holland; ex-Justice George M. Van Hoesen, of New-York, and the Rev. Dr. W. Ellott Griffs, of Unica, N. Y.

The aims of the American branch of the alliance are declared to he as follows:

re declared to he as follows:

(a) The promotion of the reciprocal appointment of the United States and by the Netherlands of such diplomatic and consular agents as may be solerstood to favor the strengthening of the his-orical ties between those countries.

(b) Encouragement of the founding of clubs mong those able to master more than one lanuage for the study of the Dutch language, literture, history and old Dutch law.

(c) The appointment of a professor in these ranches at one or more of the American universities.

In places where recent Dutch colonists live in

(i) In places where recent Dutch colonists live in any considerable numbers the providing of public libraries with important Dutch books, and the providing at high schools, academies or colleges of a suitable occasion to get a higher class instruction in Dutch innguage, literature and history.

(e) Translation, publication and distribution of original Dutch works of paramount importance. (f) The promotion of acquaintance with the influence exercised by the Dutch nationality, Dutch political institutions. Dutch science and art and Dutch manners and usages, on the origin and development of the American Commonwealth. (g) The promotion of acquaintance with the current of events happening among people of Dutch descent all over the world, by means of information furnished to the press.

(h) The preparing of genealogical tables of the descendants of both the older and more recent Dutch colonists.

Sarah Tyson Rorer's receipt for

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two quarts of milk, add a half cup of sugar, a grating of nutmes Bake in a moderately hot oven one hour, stirring down the crust as it forms for the first threequarters of an hour. Serve cold.

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ATLANTA'S PEACE JUBILEE.

ALL INVITED GUESTS WILL BE PRESENT ON DECEMBER 14 AND 15-THURS-

DAY'S PARADE. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 9.-With the Peace Jubilee still five days off, the Executive Committee is assured of the presence in Atlanta on December 14 and 15 of all its invited guests. Attorney-General Griggs is the last to send his accept ance, and has informed the committee that he will come with a party of New-Jersey men, including Governor-elect Voorhees, Adjutant-General William S. Stryker, State Controller Hancock, Colonel Oliphant, aid to General Stryker; John Kean, Frank Bergen and Congressman Fowler. In the matter of distinguished men who have accepted the invitation of Atlanta to be present on the occasion, it is believed the jubilee will surpass the celebrations held rethe treaty of peace will probably be signed tomorrow gives to the event an additional interesting feature, in the fact that it will be the first real peace jubilee. General Lee has informed the committee that he will be in attendance. and from this it is inferred that the commander of the Seventh Corps does not expect to leave

staff of Grand Marshal West includes James Swan and Edward A. Sumner, of New-York 1st Illinois at the battle of San Juan; Alexander H. Revall, C. U. Gordon, postmaster, and John J Badenoch, former Chief of Police, all of Chicago, and Bluett Lee, son of Steven D. Lee. The women of Atlanta are taking an active part Miss Helen Gould. The floral parade, set down for the afternoon of December 14, has assumed large proportions. Apartments for the President and members of his party have been reserved at the Kimball. The dinner on the evening

which will mark the close of the Atlanta Peace Jubilee, will be one of the most notable features President McKinley and two members of his Cabinet, as well as several Army and naval officers who gained distinction in the war just

"Our Country," the President,
"The Navy," Read-Admiral W S SCHLEY,
"The Army," Major-General WILLIAM R. antiago, the Plymouth Rock of Cuban Free-"STEPHEN O'MEARA, Editor of "The Bos-Journal" "How the People Paid the BBL" LYMAN J.
GAGE, Secretary of the Treasury.
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"The Volunteer as Viewed by a Regular in Command," Major-General ADNA R. CHAFFEE,
"The War as an Echo of Indigendence Hall,"
Postmaster-General CHARLES EMORY SMITH,
"The State Government's Abswer to the Call to
Arms," JOSEPH F. JOHNSTON, Governor of Alabama.

hama.
"We Follow Where Duty Calls," Lieutenant RICHMOND PEARSON HORSON.
"What the Liberty Bell Says About It."
CHARLES F. WARWICK, Mayor of Philadelphia.
"There Is No Minority in Patriotism." Representative JOSEPH W. RAILEY, of Texas.
"The Congress of the United States." Representative JOHN M. ALLEN, of Mississippt.

THE PRESIDENT TO VISIT MONTGOMERY. Washington, Dec. 9 .- General Joseph Wheeler was Washington, Dec. 2. denoral absent washington, Dec. 2. denoral and the President informed him that he would make a brief visit to Monteomery, the capital of Alabama, on his Southern trip next week, and would remain in that city from 3 until 5 o'clock Friday afternoon.

CONSTRUCTOR HANSCOM'S TRIAL

DEFENCE OPENS ITS CASE AT PHILADELPHIA PROMINENT OFFICERS TESTIFY.

court-martial proceedings against Naval Const tor Hanscom, which has been in progress closed at noon to-day.

the Bureau of Ordinanes, and Captain R. B. Bradford, Chief of the Bureau of Equipment, arrived at the Navy Yard from Washington.
Captain O'Neill testified that Mr. Hanscom's reputation both as a man and as a Navy constructor, is excellent, and stated that he would not believe he is the kind of a man to be a party to a fraudulent voucher knowing it to be such. He had known the defendant intimately for twenty years. Rear-Admiral Howell and captain Bradford corroborated Captain O'Neill's testimony as to the excellent character of the accused. Commandant Casey also testified in his belief in the absolute honesty of Constructor Hanscom.

Throughout the examination of the witnesses for the accused a strong stand was made in the direction of showing how greatly his work was increased at the time when the padding of the payrolls occurred. The court will meet again to morrow.

TO HELP CUBAN STUDENTS.

AN EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION FORMED AND

PUNDS ASKED FOR The Cuban Educational Association of the United

States has been organized for the purpose of ac-cepting and carrying out the offers made by Amer-tean colleges in response to General Wheeler's suzgestion that these colleges should each give frea The association announced recently that the responses received from Cubans desiring to accept

these offers are numerous, but that allotments now these offers are numerous, but that allothests now being considered include only the young Cubans, who can pay for their own board and incidental expenses. No young man will be accepted who do not promise to make their home in Juba after their education in the United States. Testimonials as to good character will be exacted from each

The names of young men of special merit as students, whom the revolution in 'uba has left without a dollar with which to help themselves, are,
however, being presented to the association. Many
applications have been made for acidemic tuition
for young lads whose parents ask that their sons
the placed in school in this country, and it is hoped
that the academies will follow the lead of the colleges and grant free tuition scholarships to proper
candidates.

The association makes an appeal for funds for
the maintenance of Cuban students who are unable
to support themselves and announces that the fol-

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Treasurer Union College. No. 259 Fourth-ave., New-York. JUDGE-ADVOCATES CORPS FOR THE NAVY

Washington, Dec 2.-With the approval of the Secretary of the Navy the draft of a bill for the organization of a corps of judge-advocates has been prepared at the Navy Department for submission to Congress. Secretary Long advocated this matter in his last annual report. In his opinion the time has come when the subject is of so much importance as to justify the creation of a small corps of the character indicated on a basis of organization corresponding to that now existing in the Army. "The efficiency of such a corps," says Secretary Long, "would be materially promoted if it were provided that appointments might be made from the service or from civil life, at the discretion of the appointing power, persons only being clicible who are learned in both civil and military law, promotions to be made according to relative seniority as vacancies occur. The duties which devolve upon the affice of the Judge-Advocate-General of the Navy are of great importance to the Department. He is the legal adviser of the Secretary of the Navy, has the drawing up and making of all contracts for the construction of vessels, the manufacture of armor, etc., and has direct charge of all matters envolving in the Army. "The efficiency of such a corps,"

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the administration of justice in the Navy. The work of the office of the Judge-Advocate-General has steadily increased, and is of such an important nature and so efficiently performed as to merit the approval of the Department."

### ITALIAN DYING OF MANY WOUNDS.

FIVE PRISONERS TAKEN, AND A DOZEN STORIES, MOSTLY LIES, TOLD ABOUT THE SHOOTING.

Augusto Sparro, an Italian laborer, living at No 218 Seventh-ave., while visiting last night at the home of Marco Ialo, on the second floor of the three times. One bullet lodged in his abdomen, anhis left wrist. Doctors said at midnight that two would die before morning.

like a dozen versions of how the shooting happened. Sparro and Ialo are the husbands of two sisters. Sparro, with his wife Rose and their little girl, Maria say they went to laio a home on a visit. The women say Ialo had not then returned from work, and that Mrs. Ialo, Mrs. Sparro, the latter's husband and the little girl were aigne in the flat when the door was burst open and a man thrust in his arm. Before they knew what had nappened three shots were fired and Sparro was lying bleeding from as many wounds on the floor. The whole tenement-house was thrown into an uproar. A policeman called an ambulance, and had the injured man removed to Gouverneur Hospital. There his ante-morten statemash was taken, it agreed substantially with the story told by the two women except that the wounded man asserted that Ialo had returned from work, and was in the flat at the time.

s held on suspicion.

were getting the most probable story
the lajured man's little girl, who told
ad seen the man who fired the shots,
other and Mrs. Islo shrieked at her in
old her torigie. No amount of coaxing
of the police could induce little Maria
ther.

NEWSPAPER SUITS ON APPEAL. The Appellate Division of the Supreme Court

yesterday handed down a decision in the case of Major Charles B. Throckmorton against "The Evening Post" Publishing Company for alleged On the second trial the jury found a verdict

THE BUFFALO AT OLD POINT. Ne vport News, Dec. 9 (Special).-The United States cruiser Buffalo arrived at Old Point this morning with nine hundred troops for Manila on board. The slilp has been repaired and is awaiting orders.

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are represented in whole or in part in the The defence had summoned several prominent Æolian repertory, which also embraces an innaval men on behalf of the accused, and shortly before noon Rear-Admiral Howein president of the Returns Board, Captain Charles O'Neill, Chief of the Bureau of Ordinance, and Captain R. B. Bradson and Description of the Bureau of Ordinance, and Captain R. B. Bradson and Description of Section 1988 of Beethoven Mozart, Haydn, Schumann, Mendelssohn of famous operas now never performed, your favorite piano pieces, fugues, fantasies, studies etc., in endless variety, popular songs and marches, light salon pieces of all descriptions

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